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Mr. Nick Turse The Nation Institute 100 Manhattan Avenue, Apt. 2109 Union City, NJ 07087

Dear Mr. Turse:

This further responds to your November 15, 2017 electronic Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking copies of the Report of Investigation (Closed) reports to various Case Control Numbers (CCNs) to investigations, totaling ten reports, conducted by this Service. Reference is made to our letter to you dated December 12, 2017.

Please be advised the forwarded documents that were sent to another agency for consultation have been returned. They have no objections with our proposed redactions. These documents reveal that they contain personal identifiers (such as names and social security numbers) of third parties, the release of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Accordingly, we must partially deny your request and withhold this information pursuant to the FOIA provisions 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C).

All releasable information is provided to you at enclosure (1). We have also provided an enclosure explaining the various exemptions of the FOIA.

As the official responsible for the partial denial of your request, I am advising you of your right to appeal this determination. Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should be addressed to the Secretary of the Navy's designee: Office of the Judge Advocate General, (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Avenue, S.E., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, D.C. 20374-5066. The envelope and letter must bear the annotation "FOIA Appeal". A copy of your initial request and a copy of this partial denial letter must accompany the appeal.

If you choose not to appeal, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services. You may contact the Department of the Navy's FOIA public liaison, Mr. Chris Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031 or the Office of Government Information Services (https://ogis.archives.gov/).

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact our office at (571) 305-9092 or via email at ncis foia@ncis.navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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